The Development of an OIML International Recommendation for "Automatic Instruments for Weighing Road Vehicles in Motion"

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Introduction to the Recommendation

- Metrological and technical requirements
- Legal metrology
 - Trade purposes
 - -Law enforcement
- Total vehicle weighing only
- Inclusion of axle load in future



Introduction to OIML

- International Organisation of Legal Metrology
- World-wide inter-governmental treaty organisation
 - -57 Member States
 - -51 Corresponding Members



Introduction to OIML

- International Recommendations
 - Technical committees and subcommittees
 - Model international regulations
 - Moral obligation to implement into national legislation



Development of the Recommendation

- Why have a Recommendation?
 - International nature of road haulage
 - Increasing interest in use for trade purposes
 - Agreement on metrological and technical requirements



Development Process

- Split Recommendation into two parts
 - Part A Total vehicle weighing
 - Part B Axle load
- Part A changes made to:
 - -Structure
 - Metrological content
- Approval September/October 2002



- Scope and Application
 - Total vehicle weighing
 - Vehicles weighed in motion
 - Controlled weighing area
 - Vehicle speed controlled



- Metrological requirements
 - Accuracy classes
 - Maximum permissible errors (mpes)
 - Instrument configuration



Accuracy classes and mpes

Accuracy	Percentage of Mass of Total Vehicle	
Class	Initial Verification	In-service
0.2	± 0.10 %	± 0.2 %
0.5	± 0.25 %	± 0.5 %
1	± 0.50 %	± 1.0 %
2	± 1.00 %	± 2.0 %
5	± 2.50 %	± 5.0 %
10	± 5.00 %	± 10.0 %



- Technical requirements
- Metrological controls and test procedures
 - Type (pattern) evaluation
 - Initial verification
 - Subsequent verification
 - In-service inspection



Future Developments

- Test report format for Part A
- Recommendation to include axle load (Part B)
 - Total vehicle weighing and axle load
 - Traceability of axle load
 - "Accepted reference values"
 - Specification of errors



Conclusions

- Total vehicle weighing (Part A)
 - Splitting Recommendation led to acceptance
 - Consistent application of requirements
 - Recommendation already in use, e.g. SECI
- Part B
 - One Recommendation for total vehicle weighing and axle load